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TO: Ande Banks, City Manager

FROM: Wesley Russ, Assistant City Attorney

DATE: February 21, 2023

RE: Proposed Settlements of Opioid-Related Claims

<u>Summary:</u> Request for approval of the City's participation in proposed settlements of opioid-related claims.

<u>Background:</u> Retail pharmacies Walmart, Walgreens, and CVS, as well as opioid manufacturers Teva and Allergan, have reached agreements to settle opioid-related litigation.

Key Issues:

Environmental Impact: N/A

<u>Fiscal Impact:</u> While the City's portion of the proposed settlement has not yet been determined, the City will receive funding and resources related to mitigating opioid-related issues.

<u>Prior Actions:</u> City Council previously approved participation in similar settlement agreements with opioid manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals and its parent company, Johnson & Johnson, and distributors McKesson, Cardinal Health, and Amerisource Bergen.

Alternatives: (a)

Community Engagement: N/A

<u>Recommendation:</u> Staff recommends adoption of the resolution as presented.

Attachments: Resolution

Review:

The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.